



**Convention Center Commission, Tucson (TCCC)**

**Thursday, September 10, 2015 @ 11:30 A.M.**

**260 S. Church**

**Tucson, AZ 85701**

**Summary of Minutes**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order by Ward 1 Representative, Betty Villegas, at 11:35 a.m. A quorum was established. Those present and absent were:

**Present:**

Betty Villegas	Ward 1 Representative
Joseph Blair	Ward 2 Representative
Kristin Almquist	Ward 3 Representative
Michael Lundin	Ward 5 Representative
John Cesar	Ward 6 Representative

**Absent:**

Richard Small	Mayor Representative
Steve Anderson	Ward 4 Representative

**2. Approval of Minutes: (June 11, 2015)**

Motion to approve the minutes of June 11, 2015, was passed by a voice vote of 5 to 0.

**3. Eckbo Landscape project – Elaine Becherer**

The City of Tucson has extended their contract with the UA until the middle of next year. The classes has inventoried over 700 items within the landscape with each item having a tag and a feature sheet stating specifics of the items to include a site plan. Instructors, students and staff from UA and PCC will be doing a presentation at next month's TCCC meeting. Elaine is working closely with SMG, Greg and TCC Today in the relocation of the existing pots to their original locations and replanting.

#### **4. TCC Today, phase II – Karla Van Drunen Littooy**

A power point presentation was given in regards to the completion of TCC Today phase I that was completed last October within budget and on time. The additional improvements have started on TCC Today phase II which consist of additional improvements on the trees, shrubs, benches and kiosk signage. If bond proposition 427 passes, it will provide \$23.5 million for TCC projects. TCC Today with Elaine's help has secured both City and County approval for naming rights for the Music Hall for substantial gifts. TCC Today has raised \$18,000 in the last couple of months. TCC Today along with the Tucson Symphony Orchestra will be having a ribbon cutting ceremony for the opening of their pop's season on October 17, 2015 on the plaza.

#### **5. Final Arena Updates– Elaine Becherer**

Rio Nuevo approved and is moving forward with new hand rail installation in the 200 level seats. The lower telescopic seats have integrated hand rails. The rails that Rio Nuevo is installing are fixed hand rails down the center of the aisle. The steps will have an abrasive molding to avoid slipping and provide a grip while going down the stairs.

The miscellaneous punch items are the two storage rooms located on the concourse level that have plywood on the doors that will be reframed. Expansion joints in the breezeway have been fixed and epoxy paint was added to all the concrete walls on the concourse level to help with durability. Plastic was added to places on the walls so clients can place signage.

Another outstanding item is the monument sign/video board.

The project received a TEP rebate of roughly \$50,000. Elaine will speak to Rio Nuevo and give a recommendation on how it can be used to further enhance the facility.

#### **6. Commission Role in Bond Campaigns – Greg Jackson**

The commission is able to educate not advocate for bonds. Individually out in the community you are able to advocate but not representing your position as a commissioner at the TCC.

#### **7. Community Use of TCC Facilities – Glenn Grabski**

Report provided

#### **8. General Manager's Report – Glenn Grabski**

Report provided

**9. Visit Tucson Report – Graeme Hughes**

Report provided

**10. Call to Audience**

None

**11. Future Agenda Items**

Betty requested that Elaine come back and give an update on the final decision regarding the monument sign/video board.

**12. Adjournment – 12:56 p.m.**